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The amended application documents submitted with the prior statement.				
☐ The application documents directed in previous Notification of Examination and the substitute pages				
of application documents attached in the above statement.				
The application documents defined by Decision of Re-examination.				
4. No new reference	e documents were cited in this office a	ection:		
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☐ The description:				
		scope, within which no patent right shall be		
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	s of the description is not in conform	nity with the provisions of Article 33 of the		
Chinese Patent Law.				
The description is not in conformity with the provisions of Rule 18 of the Implementing				
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☐ The claims,				
claimsdo not possess novelty provided by Article 22(2) of the Chinese Patent Law.				
☑ claims 1-12 do not possess inventiveness provided by Article 22(3) of the Chinese Patent Law.				
☐ claim does not possess practical applicability provided by Article 22(4) of the Chinese				
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claims are not in conformity	with the provisions of Article 26(4) of the Chinese Patent Law.
claims are not in conformity	with the provisions of Article 31(1) of the Chinese Patent Law.
claims are not in conformity	with the provisions of Article 33 of the Chinese Patent Law.
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The detail analysis for above conclusiv	re opinion is described in the text of this office action.
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	asons for that the above mentioned patent application can be
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•	expounded are not sufficient, this application will be rejected.
	expounded are not sufficient, this application will be rejected.
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	amendment documents shall be mailed or submitted to the
Receiving Department of the Chi	inese Patent Office, the documents which are not mailed or
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the examiner without an appointme	nt.
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Examiner: Nan WANG (A631)	
May 18, 2007	Department: Electricity Examination Department

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Text of the Second Office Action

Application No.: 200310121732.8

The applicant filed the Observations and the amended application documents on April 24, 2007. After reading the above documents carefully, the examiner continues the examination for the present application, conduct a supplemental search and points out his opinions as follows:

1. Claim 1 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

The reference document 2 (JP2002182854A) discloses a touch panel for a display device having a driver IC, and especially discloses the following technical features that (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2): the touch panel comprises upper and lower substrates; PET films (being equivalent to the first and second transparent electrodes of claim 1) on opposing surfaces of the upper and lower substrates; a plurality of metal electrodes in a circumference of the PET films; a flexible printed cable having a plurality of signal applying lines extended from the upper and lower substrates to a rear side of the display device for applying signal voltages to the metal electrodes, and being bent at a corner of the upper and lower substrates to the rear side of the display device, wherein the signal applying lines for applying signals to the metal electrodes on the upper substrate are printed on an upper surface of the flexible printed cable, the signal applying lines for applying signals to the metal electrodes on the lower substrate are printed on a lower surface of the flexible printed cable, and the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable connects to the metal electrodes such that the signal applying lines of the lower surface of the flexible printed cable are disposed on the upper surface of the flexible printed cable to prevent the short-circuit. The distinctive technical feature of the technical solution claimed by claim 1 over this reference document is that "the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable overlaps the driver IC". Based on the distinctive technical feature, it can be determined that the real technical problem to be resolved by claim 1 over the reference document 2 is to prevent the short-circuit between the flexible printed cable between the driver IC. However, the reference document 2 provides the technical inspiration of "the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable connects to the metal electrodes such that the signal applying lines of the lower surface of the flexible printed cable are disposed on the upper surface of the flexible printed cable to prevent the short-circuit", and it is easy to expect with the combination of the common sense that the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable overlaps the driver IC to prevent the short-circuit between the flexible printed cable between the driver IC. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 1 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus the technical solution claimed by claim 1 does not possess the prominent substantial feature and the notable progress, thus it does not possess the inventiveness.

2. Claim 2 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 2 further defines claim 1, the additional technical feature thereof is the common used technical means in the field of fabricating the flexible printed cable, and it belongs to the common sense. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 2 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 1 to which claim 2 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 2 does not either.

3. Claim 3 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 3 further defines claim 1, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that the flexible printed cable extends through the driver IC of the display device to be connected to a printed circuit board. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 3 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 1 to which claim 3 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 3 does not either.

4. Claim 4 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 4 further defines claim 1, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that the metal electrodes comprise: first and second metal electrodes being electrically connected to the first PET film in the circumference of the first PET film along a X-axis direction, and third and fourth metal electrodes electrically connected to the second PET film in the circumference of the upper and lower sides on the second PET film along a Y-axis direction. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 4 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 1 to which claim 4 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 4 does not either.

5. Claim 5 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 5 further defines claim 4, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that the first, second, third, and fourth metal electrodes are connected to the first, second, third, and fourth signal applying lines, respectively. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 5 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 4 to which claim 5 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 5 does not either.

6. Claim 6 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 6 further defines claim 1, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that the display device is a liquid crystal display device. Therefore, it is obvious

for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 6 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 1 to which claim 6 refers does not possess the inventiveness, claim 6 does not either.

7. Claim 7 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

The reference document 2 (JP2002182854A) discloses a method of fabricating a touch panel for a display device having a driver IC, and especially discloses the following technical features that (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2): forming upper and lower substrates; forming PET films (being equivalent to the first and second transparent electrodes of claim 7) on opposing surfaces of the upper and lower substrates; forming a plurality of metal electrodes in a circumference of the PET films; forming a flexible printed cable having a plurality of signal applying lines extended from the upper and lower substrates to a rear side of the display device for applying signal voltages to the metal electrodes, and being bent at a corner of the upper and lower substrates to the rear side of the display device, wherein the signal applying lines for applying signals to the metal electrodes on the upper substrate are printed on an upper surface of the flexible printed cable, the signal applying lines for applying signals to the metal electrodes on the lower substrate are printed on a lower surface of the flexible printed cable, and the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable connects to the metal electrodes such that the signal applying lines of the lower surface of the flexible printed cable are disposed on the upper surface of the flexible printed cable to prevent the short-circuit. The distinctive technical feature of the technical solution claimed by claim 7 over this reference document is that "the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable overlaps the driver IC". Based on the distinctive technical feature, it can be determined that the real technical problem to be resolved by claim 7 over the reference document 2 is to prevent the short-circuit between the flexible printed cable between the driver IC. However, the reference document 2 provides the technical inspiration of "the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable connects to the metal electrodes such that the signal applying lines of the lower surface of the flexible printed cable are disposed on the upper surface of the flexible printed cable to prevent the short-circuit", and it is easy to expect with the combination of the common sense that the flexible printed cable has a plurality of through-holes before the flexible printed cable overlaps the driver IC to prevent the short-circuit between the flexible printed cable between the driver IC. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 7 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus the technical solution claimed by claim 7 does not possess the prominent substantial feature and the notable progress, thus it does not possess the inventiveness.

8. Claim 8 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 8 further defines claim 7, the additional technical feature thereof is the common used technical means in the field of fabricating the flexible printed cable, and it belongs to the common sense. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 8 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense,

thus when claim 7 to which claim 8 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 8 does not either.

9. Claim 9 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 9 further defines claim 7, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that the flexible printed cable extends through the driver IC of the display device to be connected to a printed circuit board. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 9 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 7 to which claim 9 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 9 does not either.

10. Claim 10 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 10 further defines claim 7, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that forming first and second metal electrodes being electrically connected to the first PET film in the circumference of the first PET film along a X-axis direction, and forming third and fourth metal electrodes electrically connected to the second PET film in the circumference of the upper and lower sides on the second PET film along a Y-axis direction. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 10 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 7 to which claim 10 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 10 does not either.

11. Claim 11 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 11 further defines claim 10, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that the first, second, third, and fourth metal electrodes are connected to the first, second, third, and fourth signal applying lines, respectively. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 11 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 10 to which claim 11 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 11 does not either.

12. Claim 12 is rejected according to Article 22.3 of the Chinese Patent Law for having no inventiveness.

Claim 12 further defines claim 7, and the additional technical feature thereof is disclosed in the reference document 2 (seeing Paragraph 38 of Column 11 to Paragraph 52 of Column 13 and Paragraphs 107-108 of Column 19 of the description and Figs. 1-22 of the reference document 2) which discloses that the display device is a liquid crystal display device. Therefore, it is obvious for the person skilled in the art to obtain the technical solution claimed by claim 12 based on the reference document 2 by combining the common sense, thus when claim 7 to which claim 12 refers does not possess the inventiveness., claim 12 does not either.

Based on the above reasons, the present application could not be granted yet according to the current text. The applicant should amend the application document within the time limit specified in the present notification to overcome the existed defect. The amendments to the application documents shall be in conformity with Article 33 of the Patent Law, that is, the amendments may not go beyond the scope of the disclosure contained in the initial description and claims stated.

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第二次审查意见通知书正文

申请号: 2003101217328

申请人于2007年4月24日提交了意见陈述书和经过修改的申请文件,审查员在阅读了上述文件后,对本案继续进行审查并进行了补充检索,提出如下审查意见。

- 1、权利要求1所要求保护的技术方案不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造 性。对比文件2(JP2002182854A)公开了一种具有驱动器IC的显示装置的触摸面板, 并具体公开了以下的技术特征(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段-第13栏第52 段, 第19栏第107-108段、图1-22): 该触摸面板包括上基板和下基板; 在上基板和 下基板相对的表面上分别设置有PET薄膜(相当于权利要求1的第一和第二诱明电 极);在PET薄膜周围设置有多个金属电极;柔性印刷电缆,所述柔性印刷电缆具有从 上基板和下基板延伸到显示装置的背面并用来向金属电极供给信号电压的多条信号供 给线,且该柔性印刷电缆在上基板和下基板的角部向显示装置的背面弯曲,其中,将 用于向上基板上的金属电极供给信号的信号供给线印刷在柔性印刷电缆的上表面上, 而将用于向下基板上的金属电极供给信号的信号供给线印刷在柔性印刷电缆的下表面 上,并且该柔性印刷电缆在与金属电极连接前具有多个通孔,从而将柔性印刷电缆的 下表面的信号供给线设置在柔性印刷电缆的上表面上以防止发生短路。该权利要求所 要求保护的技术方案与该对比文件所公开的技术内容相比,其区别仅在于"柔性印刷电 缆在交叠驱动器IC之前具有多个通孔"。基于上述区别技术特征可以确定,权利要求1 相对于对比文件2实际所解决的问题是:防止柔性印刷电缆与驱动器IC之间发生短路。 然而,当本领域的技术人员在面对防止柔性印刷电缆与驱动器IC之间发生短路的问题 时,根据对比文件2给出的"柔性印刷电缆在与金属电极连接前具有多个通孔,从而将 柔性印刷电缆的下表面的信号供给线设置在柔性印刷电缆的上表面上以防止发生短 路"的技术启示并结合其掌握的公知常识,容易想到在柔性印刷电缆与驱动器IC交叠之 前在其上设置多个通孔从而防止印刷电缆与驱动器之间发生短路。因此,在对比文件2 的基础上结合本领域的公知常识以获得权利要求1所要求保护的技术方案,对所属技术 领域的技术人员来说是显而易见的,因此权利要求1所要求保护的技术方案不具备突出 的实质性特点和显著的进步,因而不具备创造性。
 - 2、权利要求2对权利要求1作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征为本领域制造柔性印

刷电缆的惯用技术手段,属于公知常识,因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求2所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求1不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求2也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。

- 3、权利要求3对权利要求1作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段一第13栏第52段,第19栏第107一108段、图1一22): 柔性印刷电缆通过显示装置的驱动器IC 延伸,以连接到印刷电路板。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求3所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求1不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求3也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。
- 4、权利要求4对权利要求1作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段一第13栏第52段,第19栏第107—108段、图1—22):金属电极包括:第一和第二金属电极,它们沿着X一轴方向在第一PET薄膜周围电连接到该第一PET薄膜,和第三和第四金属电极,它们沿着Y一轴方向在第二PET薄膜上的上边和下边周围电连接到该第二PET薄膜。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求4所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求1不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求4也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。
- 5、权利要求5对权利要求4作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段—第13栏第52段,第19栏第107—108段、图1—22):第一、第二、第三和第四金属电极分别连接到第一、第二、第三和第四信号供给线。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求5所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求4不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求5也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。

- 6、权利要求6对权利要求1作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段一第13栏第52段,第19栏第107一108段、图1-22):显示装置使液晶显示装置。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求6所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求1不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求6也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。
- 7、权利要求7所要求保护的技术方案不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造 性。对比文件2(JP2002182854A)公开了一种用于制造具有驱动器IC的显示装置的触 摸面板的制造方法,并具体公开了以下的技术特征(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第 38段-第13栏第52段, 第19栏第107-108段、图1-22): 形成上基板和下基板: 在上 基板和下基板相对的表面上分别形成PET薄膜(相当于权利要求7的第一和第二透明电 极): 在PET薄膜周围形成有多个金属电极;形成柔性印刷电缆,所述柔性印刷电缆具 有从上基板和下基板延伸到显示装置的背面并用来向金属电极供给信号电压的多条信 号供给线,且该柔性印刷电缆在上基板和下基板的角部向显示装置的背面弯曲,其 中,将用于向上基板上的金属电极供给信号的信号供给线印刷在柔性印刷电缆的上表 面上,而将用于向下基板上的金属电极供给信号的信号供给线印刷在柔性印刷电缆的 下表面上,并且该柔性印刷电缆在与金属电极连接前具有多个通孔,从而将柔性印刷 电缆的下表面的信号供给线设置在柔性印刷电缆的上表面上以防止发生短路。该权利 要求所要求保护的技术方案与该对比文件所公开的技术内容相比,其区别仅在于"柔性 印刷电缆在交叠驱动器IC之前具有多个通孔"。基于上述区别技术特征可以确定,权利 要求7相对于对比文件2实际所解决的问题是:防止柔性印刷电缆与驱动器IC之间发生 短路。然而,当本领域的技术人员在面对防止柔性印刷电缆与驱动器IC之间发生短路 的问题时,根据对比文件2给出的"柔性印刷电缆在与金属电极连接前具有多个通孔, 从而将柔性印刷电缆的下表面的信号供给线设置在柔性印刷电缆的上表面上以防止发 生短路"的技术启示并结合其掌握的公知常识,容易想到在柔性印刷电缆与驱动器IC交 叠之前在其上设置多个通孔从而防止印刷电缆与驱动器之间发生短路。因此,在对比 文件2的基础上结合本领域的公知常识以获得权利要求7所要求保护的技术方案,对所 属技术领域的技术人员来说是显而易见的,因此权利要求7所要求保护的技术方案不具

备突出的实质性特点和显著的进步,因而不具备创造性。

- 8、权利要求8对权利要求7作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征为本领域制造柔性印刷电缆的惯用技术手段,属于公知常识,因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求8所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求7不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求8也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。
- 9、权利要求9对权利要求7作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段一第13栏第52段,第19栏第107—108段、图1—22):柔性印刷电缆通过显示装置的驱动器IC 延伸,以连接到印刷电路板。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求9所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求7不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求9也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。
- 10、权利要求10对权利要求7作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2 所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段一第13栏第52段,第19栏第107-108 段、图1-22): 形成第一和第二金属电极,它们沿着X一轴方向在第一PET薄膜周围电 连接到该第一PET薄膜,和形成第三和第四金属电极,它们沿着Y一轴方向在第二PET薄膜上的上边和下边周围电连接到该第二PET薄膜。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知 常识从而得到权利要求10所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易 见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求7不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求10也 不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。
- 11、权利要求11对权利要求10作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2 所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段一第13栏第52段,第19栏第107—108 段、图1—22):第一、第二、第三和第四金属电极分别连接到第一、第二、第三和第 四信号供给线。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识从而得到权利要求11所要求保 护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见的,在上述权利要求所引用的权

利要求10不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求11也不具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。

12、权利要求12对权利要求7作了进一步限定,其附加技术特征已经被对比文件2 所公开(参见对比文件2的说明书第11栏第38段一第13栏第52段,第19栏第107—108 段、图1—22):显示装置使液晶显示装置。因此在对比文件2的基础上结合公知常识 从而得到权利要求12所要求保护的技术方案对本领域普通技术人员来说是显而易见 的,在上述权利要求所引用的权利要求7不具备创造性的情况下,从属权利要求12也不 具备专利法第二十二条第三款规定的创造性。

基于上述理由,本申请的独立权利要求以及从属权利要求都不具备创造性,同时说明书中也没有记载其他任何可以授予专利权的实质性内容,因而即使申请人对权利要求进行重新组合和/或根据说明书记载的内容作进一步的限定,本申请也不具备被授予专利权的前景。如果申请人不能在本通知书规定的答复期限内提出表明本申请具有新颖性和创造性的充分理由,本申请将被驳回。

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